

Monday, November 10, 2014

9:00 AM CONVENE

PRESENT Deb Ranum, Chairperson; **William L. Randash** and **Steve Baldwin**, Members and **Brenda J. Wood**, Clerk and Recorder

9:00 AM Trenton Harbaugh, Undersheriff

Retirement Gift-Trent asked if the Commission would allow Tim Barkley, Sheriff to receive his service weapon as a retirement gift. The Sheriff's Department would like to place it in a shadow box along with other significant items and present it to him. Trent stated there is necessary paperwork to take care of and he has agreed to take care of that. The Commission agreed this was a fitting retirement gift.

Remodel Project

Air-Conditioner-The Contractor's still need to take care of the air-conditioning unit for the booking room. Steve Zachmann was going to contact Lane Straub, Straub Heating and Cooling. Right now, the Contractor's want the Sheriff's Department to take care of the HVAC manually. Trent will contact Steve Zachmann to see what he found out.

Storage Container-The Connex storage container is being emptied and will be moved soon. Dick Anderson Construction should be paying for that.

Shower door-The shower door came in but the Sheriff's office was told it is not up to the construction company to put it on.

Laundry Room-They are working on getting a folding table for the laundry room.

Phone/Radios-They are waiting on Bob Brenner, Tab Electronics to complete phone/radio items.

Cameras-The camera crew is coming in today to work on the Sheriff's office cameras.

9:30 AM Julie Straub, Human Resource Director

Sanitarian-The Commission wants to established a schedule for the Sanitarian

Renee Gnerer-The Commission will agree to pay Renee per the Contract and will only pay Per Diem when she comes down or is utilized. If Renee needs to assist Rich Menger in the transition period, Fallon County will pay her for that as well.

Longevity-Sheriff Barkley also wants the longevity that was given to the other employees, in addition to the Longevity received (by law). Julie does not find anything that would preclude Tim from receiving this longevity in addition to that received by law.

Swearing in of Officer-Trenton will need to be sworn in as the Sheriff and Jail Administrator.

Sanitarian-Set hours for the Sanitarian was further discussed. The Commission agreed the Sanitarian should work scheduled days. If he cannot get his work finished in 20 hours he will need to meet with the Commission to discuss this again.

10:00 AM-Pete and DJ Enos

Road Easement-The Enos's are not willing to sign an easement at this time as the Ketchum's, Fried's, Medearis' and the hunters all use this road. Other individual's speed and kill calves and cows. Arlee Fried comes through there as it is the shortest route to his property. Discussed an easement on the back road.

Pete stated he would like to be compensated for the road maintenance he has completed-(2) cattle guards and gravel, equaling about \$10,000 dollars.

DJ asked about a compromise; if the County would be willing to gravel the 1½ miles of road that is marked as seasonal, they would be willing to settle for that. The Commission made no decisions today; they want to visit with the Road Foreman about this first.

11:00 AM Larry Richards, Regional Manager-State of Montana-Department of Revenue

Larry was unable to make it for the meeting due to weather. The meeting was tentatively rescheduled for December 24th.

11:10 AM Tom Kachel-Landfill Manager

Landfill Rates-The Commission discussed demolition tipping fees and further discussed their thoughts with Tom. The Commission would like to have the tipping fee paid in full by the person completing the

demolition. After clean-up is completed and reviewed by City or County the person would be eligible to have ½ of the tipping fee paid returned. Tom felt that was fine with him if that is what the Commission wants to do.

Accounts Receivable-Tom stated Stallion paid their past due bill. Conoco-Phillips feels their past due bill should be paid by Denbury since they were bought by Denbury. Tom stated this bill was due and owing long before they were purchased by Denbury. The Commission would like Tom to visit with the County Attorney about this matter.

11:45 AM-Bobby Wiedmer, Road Foreman

Enos Roads-Bobby stated the Petition is still open from the Calumet Road to the road by Arlee Fried's. Commissioner Baldwin stated the Enos' would like repaid for the money they paid for cargates and gravel. Bobby stated he does not feel they should receive compensation as they have not done this with Hadley's, or anyone else for that matter.

Decision-Call Spencer Huether, Road Technician to write the easements and the Commission stated they would not reimburse the Enos's for the cargates and gravel they placed on the roads.

Wednesday-Bobby stated if it is not snowing on Wednesday they will haul gravel.

Blades-They will start to wing up the blades for snow removal.

12:00 PM Chuck Lee, DES/9-1-1 Coordinator

Security cameras-Chuck would like to have the company working on the cameras in Dispatch/Sheriff Department view the Senior Center for camera's as well. Permission granted.

12:00 PM RECESS

Commissioner Baldwin made the motion to Recess. **Commissioner Randash** seconds. 3 Ayes. 0 Nays. Motion Carried Unanimously.

Noon Recess

1:15 PM RECONVENE

PRESENT-Deb Ranum, Chairperson; **William L. Randash** and **Steve Baldwin**, Members and **Brenda Wood**, Clerk and Recorder.

1:15 PM Mary Grube, Planner Secretary

Dan Stahley and **Ryan Rittal**, Stahley Engineering via conference call.

Planning/Engineering Services

Dan and Ryan explained the services they can provide to the County, their rate sheet (fee schedule), programs they work with and Counties they currently work for.

They can assist with subdivision reviews and technical support of planning and subdivision laws.

Commissioner Randash explained the Commission would review the materials provided by them and discuss their needs at this time. Dan and Ryan thanked the Commission for their time, which concluded this discussion.

TransCanada Findings of Fact-Mary stated the Commission needs to sign the Findings of Fact for TransCanada. Faron Henderson, Contract Planner was contacted and said it was ready to sign.

1:55 PM Rich Batterman, County Attorney joined.

Contract Planner-The Commission discussed asking other Companies to provide Planning services for Fallon County due to the Communication problems with the current Contract Planner. Mary asked about having herself be the go to person.

Director of Planning-Rich stated the Director of Planning was proposed 6 months ago and the Commission was not interested at that time. Mary said basically that is what she is talking about.

Lawlar Sewer issue-Rich discussed the Lawlar sewer issue (West of Baker). Rich was informed by the Commission, the Lawlar's were requesting payment from Fallon County for their costs over and above the cost of their normal sewer repairs. Lawlar's further explained their reason was due to the fact the Planning Department turned the Lawlar's in to the DEQ. It was explained to the Lawlar's that Fallon

County had no basis for doing this. Rich stated he will do further checking on this matter. Rich left the meeting.

Findings of Fact and Order-The Commission signed the Findings of Fact and Order for TransCanada for Preliminary Plat Approval of the Baker Workforce Camp Major Subdivision. The Original will be retained in the Planning Department.

Planning Board Meeting-The Commission was given a notice for the Planning Board meeting to be held December 1, 2014 at 7:00 PM which will include a Public Hearing at 7:05 PM.

2:10 PM APPOINTMENT

The Commission appointed Deb Ranum as the Ex-Officio for Fallon County's Local Government Study Commission.

2:15 PM Credit/Procurement Card

Commissioner Baldwin stated he has had no luck in having the gentleman return his call-in regard to seeking a County Credit or Procurement card.

2:30 PM Vera Abrams, Safety Supervisor

Random Acts of Safety Question-Vera stated she received a question in the Random Acts of Safety box. The question is: What do the other employees receive for being safe, when the Road Department and other Department employees receive \$150.00 per year to purchase safety shoes, glasses, etc.

3:00 PM CLOSED PERSONNEL

3:30 PM Wayne Mangold, Plevna TV Board Member

TV BOARDS-Wayne discussed having one Board for both Baker and Plevna TV but keep the funds separate, at least for ease in signing checks. The Commission has discussed this several times before. No decision made at this time.

3:40 PM CLOSED PERSONNEL

4:00 PM PUBLIC COMMENT

No one appeared for Public Comment

4:15 PM Chuck Lee, DES/911

9-1-1 UPDATES-Quarterly 9-1-1 meetings are to discuss funding, etc.

Monthly 9-1-1 meetings-Chuck asked who the Commission wanted to attend the Monthly meetings. Commissioner Ranum felt Brenda Hoeger, Dispatch Supervisor and Sheriff's Department.

Quarterly 9-1-1 meetings-Chuck asked who the Commission wanted to attend the Quarterly meetings. Commissioner's feel the Commission/Sheriff/DES and Dispatch. Chuck will send a letter to all four (4) Departments and the Commission can decide which Commissioner they want to have attend.

Funding-Discussed what the benefits are with the funding received. Staffing, Radios, Addressing, Towers, Secretarial, except Carter County, CJIN records, maps and atlases are updated. Chuck explained every call is a potential law suit.

Powder River County-John Blaine was the former sheriff in Powder River County. They could not get Powder River up to speed on Dispatch/911/Jail and Communications. Chuck told them he is willing to help after they get a new Sheriff. Chuck was asking permission to assist Powder River County. Commissioner Ranum reviewed how all the counties came on board when she was the DES Coordinator.

Salaries-Chuck discussed paying salaries from the 911 budget; a portion of his wages can come from the 9-1-1 funds.

Surveillance Cameras-Chuck discussed purchasing cameras for the Courthouse. Chuck will try to get the funding from 911, if he cannot, he will try to get other funding.

Graduation-Chuck graduated from Emmetsburg, PA-1st of 33. Congratulations Chuck.

FOLDER UPDATES

MISCELLANEOUS

Letter- A letter was written to a Planning Board Member that was not regularly attending Board meetings.

The Commission elected to excuse the Board Member from their duties. The Clerk and Recorder will advertise for another member and mail the letter.

Letter-A letter was written and will be mailed to the US EPA and US Army Corps of Engineers regarding Fallon County's feelings regarding the Proposed Rule defining "Waters of the United States" under the Clean Water Act.

Certificate of Substantial Completion-Commissioner Randash signed the Certificate of Substantial Completion-this is for the portion of the project designated for partial occupancy, or use and shall include: All of said project except for Phase 3 Remodel of existing Dispatch until it is available for the Owner. A cost estimate of work that is incomplete or defective is estimated to be \$10,000.00.

Fletcher Creek Road Structure-Commissioner Ranum signed as Chairperson, Change Order 1 and 2 for the Fletcher Creek Road Structure.

REPORTS

Ambulance Billing Summary-October, 2014-15 runs; Total charges of -\$15,200; Payments received-\$5,069.76; Adjustments Insurance/Medicare/Medicaid-1899.14; Collections Paid-\$692.16 and Charges sent to Collection-\$1,330.00

MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES

State of MT-Gambling Machine Permits-\$100.00

Sands Oil Co-September, 2014-Oil and Gas Royalties-\$101.54

Fuel Tax Allocation-November, 2014-\$4,139.00

RECESS

Commissioner Randash made the motion to Recess. **Commissioner Baldwin** seconds the motion. 3 Ayes. 0 Nays. Motion Carried unanimously.

Thursday, November 13, 2014

9:00 AM RECONVENE

PRESENT Deb Ranum, Chairperson; **William L. Randash** and **Steve Baldwin**, Members and **Brenda Wood**, Clerk and Recorder.

9:30 AM Barbara Ketterling-Treasurer/Assessor

Tax Billing-Barb explained there was an issue with the tax billings for 2014. LaRita Huether, Department of Revenue did not enter the Little Beaver Soil Conservation District (LBSCD) portion of the taxes in the system as she thought that was the Treasurer's duties. Barb is going to contact Fred Housvicka, LBSCD Board Member to see if there is a way for them to wait for their funding. Barb wanted the Commission to be aware of this so they were not caught off-guard.

10:00 AM

MDT Corridor Traffic Study-The Commission met in the Library Basement for the MDT Corridor Traffic Study, Kick-off Meeting, via Conference Call.

12:00 PM ADJOURN

Commissioner Baldwin made the motion to Adjourn. **Commissioner Randash** seconds the motion. 3 Ayes. 0 Nays. Motion Carried unanimously.

ADJOURN

s/Deb Ranum, Chairperson

ATTEST:

s/Brenda J. Wood, Clerk and Recorder